PUBLIC NOTICE

**COMMUNITY AFFAIRS** 

**LOCAL FINANCE BOARD** 

**Notice of Action on Petition for Rulemaking** 

**Certification of Available Funds** 

N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4 and 5.5

Petitioner: Mr. John Paff, Chairman, Open Government Advocacy Project, New Jersey Libertarian Party.

Take notice that on March 30, 2016, the Local Finance Board received a petition for rulemaking from the above petitioner requesting that the Board amend N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4(a) to require that all Certifications of Available Funds explicitly set forth the maximum dollar amount of the contract to be awarded, and require any governing body resolution awarding a contract to display the maximum dollar value of the contract. In addition, the petitioner sought amendments to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5 that would harmonize the amendments sought for N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4. A notice acknowledging receipt of the petition and summarizing its contents was published in the May 2, 2016, New Jersey Register at 48 N.J.R. 718(a).

**Take further notice** that this petition was considered by the Local Finance Board at its public meeting on May 11, 2016. At that time, the Board determined to seek public input through a notice of pre-proposal issued pursuant to N.J.A.C. 1:30-5.3 on draft changes to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.3, 5.4, and 5.5. The pre-proposed amendments, which are published elsewhere in this issue of the New Jersey Register, encompass the

substance of petitioner's prayed for amendments. The public comment period on the notice of pre-proposal will expire on July 20, 2016. In light of the above, the Local Finance Board will refer the matter to Local Finance Board staff for further deliberation and recommendation on further action pursuant to the time period set forth in N.J.A.C. 1:30-4.2(a)3.

A copy of this public notice has been mailed to the petitioner.